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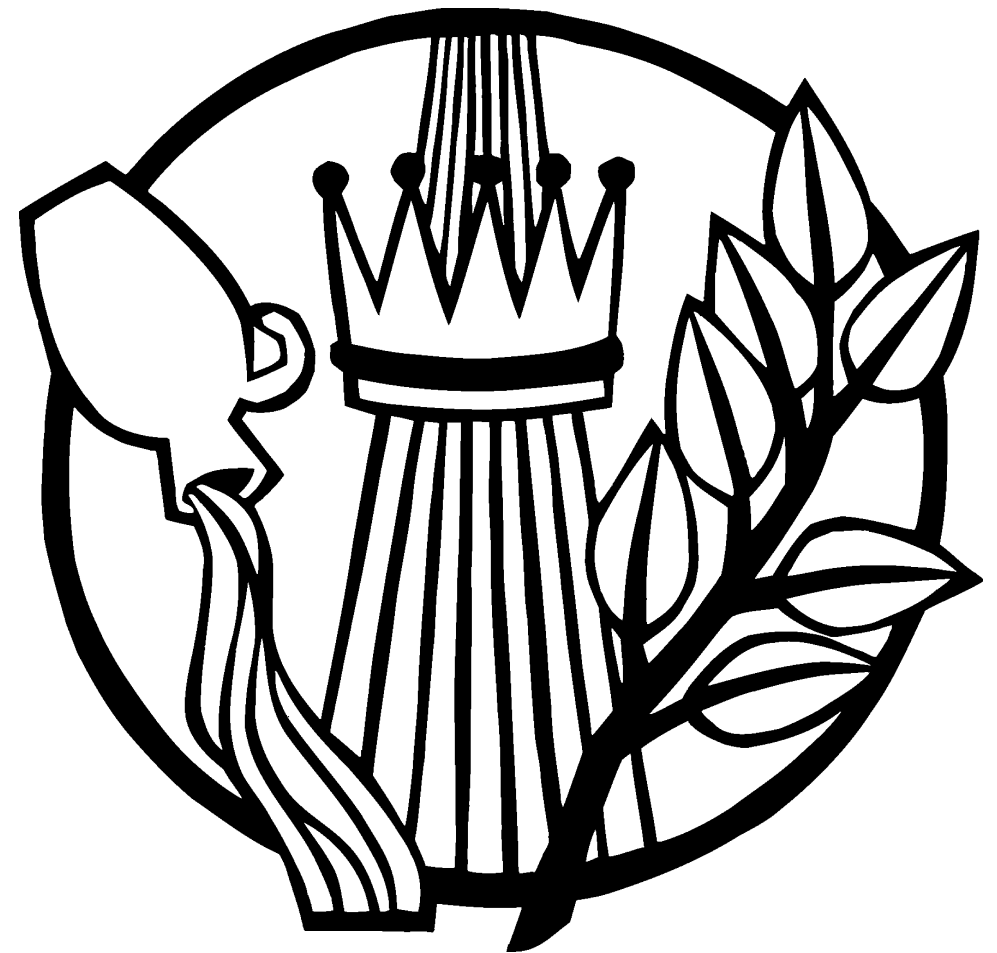
DATED MATERIAL

“Return Services Requested”

The Rev. Kurt S. Strause, Pastor
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Valerie Lefever Hughes, Director of Music

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June 2019

From the Pastor’s Desk

One aspect of living a faithful life as a Christian entails serving those in need. At Emmanuel we provide opportunities for exercising a ministry of service. I think of the Community Meals, and the Personal Care and School Kits we assemble for Lutheran World Relief. Our youth serve others when they participate in our summer Mission Trip. There is “behind the scenes” service that our members provide those who are in need in our congregation: visiting with home communion, phone calls, making and delivering home-made greeting cards to shut-ins.

For many of our members service is not limited to ministries directly provided by the church. I am constantly amazed and gratified when I hear of the ways people volunteer their time in our community. We have volunteers at the hospitals, packing food at the Council of Churches Food Hub, serving at Water Street Mission, helping at local museums such as North Museum and Landis Valley Farm Museum, and lot of others. There was a time when I worried that we weren’t providing enough opportunities for service directly at Emmanuel. But then I realized how much we serve through our members actively engaged in various service related organizations in our community.

My own way of serving in the community has been to be involved in the Lancaster County Council of Churches. I currently chair their board of directors which oversees the work of the Council. You may have recently read in the Lancaster News Paper that the Council of Churches announced a change in name. From now on we will be known as The Lancaster County Food Hub-Serving With Faith and Compassion. The name reflects more clearly the mission and work of the organization. We are an organization which focuses on meeting the needs of those who are food insecure in our community. Last year we served over 30,000 individual distributions of just under a million pounds of food.

While food is at the heart of The Food Hub, we also provide a Clothing Bank, the Women’s Winter Shelter, and the Wheels to Work program. We are still a clothing bank which received donations of clothes and gives them away free without cost. Donated cars are fixed up and then sold at far below market value to qualified persons who have a job but no other means of transportation. This makes us different that other charitable organizations (like WITF) that receive a car and sell it for the proceeds. The Food Hub, Clothing Bank, and Shelter are all staffed with volunteers and are wonderful places to serve the community and meet others who have a heart for service. If you want more information about the ways you can volunteer at the Food Hub you can call at 717-291-2261 or visit their website: www.lancasterfoodhub.org and click on “Volunteer.”

Pastor Kurt Strause

ASSISTING ON SUNDAYS

June 2	Acolyte Lector Deacons Ushers Greeters	Faith Siegrist Bob Miller Monette Cameron, Gini Horn Mark Moffett, Keith Frey Andy Geist, Phyllis Strittmater
June 9	Acolyte Lector Deacons Ushers Greeters	Ivan Shrom Bill Hannegan Mary Kay Mulcahy, Suzanne Burkholder Bill Hannegan, Don Styer Karl and Marilyn Soutner
June 16	Acolyte Lector Deacons Ushers Greeters	Testimony ALAGBE Mary Kay Mulcahy Roger and Lisa Strause Mary Royer, JoAnn Alexander Keith and Deb Frey
June 23	Acolyte Lector Deacons Ushers Greeters	Tommy Hockenberry Karl Soutner Ed and Lori Hockenberry Karl and Marilyn Soutner Frank and Nancy Lynn
June 30	Acolyte Lector Deacons Ushers Greeters	Deyanna Cameron Diane Ehemann George and Diane Ehemann Marcus Thomsen, Andy Nissly George and Diane Ehemann

Usher captain - Bob Miller

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First Sunday Coffee
Following worship
June 2

Goodies provided by
Learning Ministry Committee

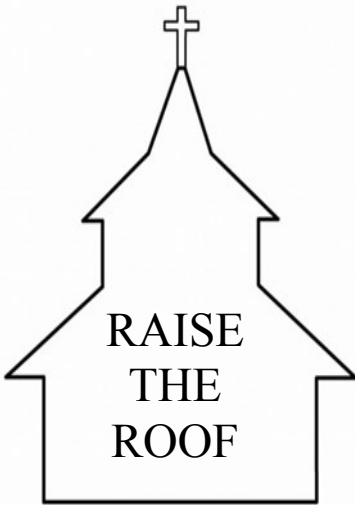
“Raise the Roof” Seeks Gifts for Needed Chapel Roof Replacement

A fund-raising appeal was authorized at the May Congregational Meeting to replace the aging and leaking asphalt-shingle chapel roof as well as repair crumbling mortar in the church bell tower. The goal of the appeal is \$60,000.

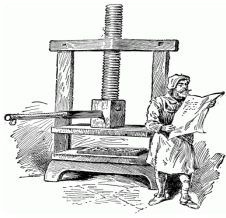
Congregational members will be invited to pledge toward the “Raise the Roof” appeal later in the month of June or early July. More detailed information will be mailed to each member.

The term of the pledge campaign will be two years beginning in August, 2019 and continue through July, 2021.

The repairs are needed to be completed soon, before all of the money from the pledge campaign is received. We will need to borrow funds to pay for the repairs and the loan will be repaid as the pledged money is received. If anyone is interested in loaning a portion or all of the money to Emmanuel, which would be paid back over two years, please contact Mark Moffett, the Financial Secretary.



Worship will be at 9 A.M.
starting Sunday, June 2nd
and continue through Labor Day
Sunday, September 1st.
There will be no Sunday School.



Gutenberg Gabs

~ a book discussion group ~
Monday, June 3, 1:30 – 3:00

The Aviator's Wife

by Melanie Benjamin

Host: Bonnie Allman ~ 1134 Meadow Creek Lane, Lancaster

Emmanuel to Sponsor Lancaster County Food Hub Community Meal

East Chestnut Street Mennonite Church

July 8, 2019 at 5:30 PM

Volunteers are needed:
*Pre-Meal Preparation, Set Up,
Serving, and Clean Up.*

Interested in helping?
Contact: Deb Barrett, 717- 872-2113,
or Sign up in the Narthex



June

- 1 Suzanna Burkholder
- 1 Brian Karl Soutner
- 4 Jacob Barrett Frey
- 11 Victoria Elyse Knight
- 11 Edward Hockenberry
- 13 Lori Hockenberry
- 14 Andrew Geist
- 22 Christine Yost-Hannagan
- 26 Keith Bitner



Financial Report



YTD

General Fund Income
General Fund Expense
Difference

April

\$20,431	\$57,468
<u>\$15,113</u>	<u>\$59,807</u>
\$5,318	\$586

If there is a move in your future
make sure to notify the church office
so that you may continue to receive
the good news from Emmanuel.



**Deadline for the July/August Parish Helper is
Wednesday, June 12.**

Please send all information to office@emmanuelllancster.org